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PETROLEUM REFINERIES STEP UP PRODUCTION

[Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

All shops of the petroleum refineries imeni Stalin (1) and imeni Andreyev (2) have been fulfilling or exceeding their quotas since the first part of May. In the former, a large quantity of light petroleum products and oil above the 20-day quota have already been processed. Efforts to cut down petroleum losses are widespread in the plant. Since the beginning of May, petroleum product losses have been reduced 2,500 tons above the norm, and 900 tons of fuel have been saved. (1) Since the beginning of May the Refinery imeni Andreyev has saved 800 tons of fuel and has reduced losses in petroleum products 1,000 tons above the plan. (2)

The Stalinneft' Trust completed the 5-month plan for petroleum extraction on 30 May. The number of operating wells has increased 3.2 percent over January, and extraction of petroleum per day has increased 6.6 percent.

The Kaganovicheft' Trust completed the 5-month plan for petroleum extraction on 31 May. Since the beginning of 1950, this trust has converted 28 oil wells from the compression method to the deep-well pump method.

Petroleum workers of the Buzovnyneft' Trust also fulfilled the 5-month plan ahead of schedule. (3) During the past 4 months 14 wells have been added to the operating reserves of this trust, and daily petroleum extraction has increased 25 percent. (4)

The second oil field of the Ordzhonikidzeneft' Trust reached the level of the plan a month ago. The May plan was exceeded, but petroleum extraction decreased during the latter days of May and the 5-month plan was not completed. (5)

Workers in the first oil field of the Artemneft' Trust completed the 5-month plan on 28 May. The oil field has reduced the production costs of a ton of petroleum one percent. (6)

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Petroleum workers of the second oil field of the Malgobekneft' Trust of the Grozneft' Association have extracted hundreds of tons of petroleum above the 5-month plan. The first oil field has also fulfilled the 5-month plan.(7)

Workers of the Tuymazaneft' Trust in Bashkir ASSR have exceeded the May quota 20 percent.(6) An electric drill has been employed in drilling deep wells in one of the oil fields of the trust. A drilling speed of more than 150 meters per day is being achieved. This is the first time that an electric drill has been used in the Bashkir ASSR.(8)

Petroleum workers of Emba in the Kazakh SSR drilled and put into operation as many oil wells in April as they had during the entire first quarter of 1950. The speed of their work continued to increase during May.(9) Thousands of the workers are stepping up production in honor of the coming session of the Supreme Soviet USSR. Baychunas oil field is in the vanguard of the competition and has completed the 5-month program for petroleum extraction and for test wells. Half of the workers have fulfilled the Five-Year Plan.(10)

The first Uzbek petroleum workers to fulfill the Five-Year Plan for petroleum extraction were workers in the Andizhan oil fields. They pledged to deliver hundreds of tons of petroleum beyond the quota in honor of the session of the Supreme Soviet USSR.(11)

More than 600 students of the Baku Petroleum Technical School will have practical experience in oil fields, maritime exploratory work, petroleum refineries, and machine-building plants. They are at present completing theses which they will defend in June. This year the technical school will graduate 200 specialists, including drilling technicians, technicians for exploiting maritime petroleum wells, geologists, and mechanics.

Graduation of skilled petroleum workers from one-year courses will soon take place. More than 100 specialists are completing the courses. (12)

Azerbaijani petroleum workers have promised to train and raise the qualifications of 21,695 workers, including the Azneft' Association, 8,200; Azmorneft', 1,570; Azneftezavod, 1,900; Azneftezavody, 2,250; Azneftemash Trust, 2,600; Aztekhshabneft', 750; Glavzapadneftestroy of the Azerbaijani Territorial Administration, 1,475; and the construction and assembly trust, 2,085.(3)

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